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<b>Interview Summary</b>	Application No.	Applicant(s)	
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	Dalena Tran	3661	

All participants (applicant, applicant's representative, PTO personnel):

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Date of Interview: 31 August 2005.

Type: a) ☒ Telephonic b) ☐ Video Conference  
c) ☐ Personal [copy given to: 1) ☐ applicant 2) ☐ applicant's representative]

Exhibit shown or demonstration conducted: d) ☐ Yes e) ☒ No.  
If Yes, brief description: \_\_\_\_\_

Claim(s) discussed: 11-13, 18-20, 24 and 25.

Identification of prior art discussed: Murakami (6702717).

Agreement with respect to the claims f) ☐ was reached. g) ☒ was not reached. h) ☐ N/A.

Substance of Interview including description of the general nature of what was agreed to if an agreement was reached, or any other comments: the examiner suggest claims 11-13, 18-20, 24-25 need to clarify the phrase "softening criterion", and "decreasingly compensating". However, the agreement was not reached.

(A fuller description, if necessary, and a copy of the amendments which the examiner agreed would render the claims allowable, if available, must be attached. Also, where no copy of the amendments that would render the claims allowable is available, a summary thereof must be attached.)

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